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MOTORCYCLES

Spike In Crashes This Year

Kentucky State Police reports that 2012 has already shown a spike in motorcycle-related crashes with a 69 percent increase from 2011 for the same time period. For this reason, KSP has decided to utilize social media for reaching the public. With more than 40,000 followers on Facebook, 2,900 followers on Twitter and an active YouTube, Flickr and Blogger account, the agency plans to blast out motorcycle safety messaging using these platforms.

KSP spokesman Lt. David Jude called on his staff to get proactive about motorcycle safety when he reviewed the weekly Fatality Analysis Reporting System report showing the spike in motorcycle crashes.

"With the unseasonably warm weather we have been having, more bikes are out on the road earlier than what motorists are used to seeing," said Jude. "With a nearly 70 percent increase in motorcycle-related crashes already this year, we need to get in front of this trend and stop the unnecessary injuries and deaths on our roadways."

Jude said the agency plans a week-long social media campaign that includes launching a new YouTube video about motorcycle safety, Facebook and Twitter updates with safety messaging and a blog post from KSP Commissioner Rodney Brewer about the project.

"Our principle concern is to increase driver recognition of motorcyclists in traffic, while at the same time encouraging cyclists to engage in the overall safe operation of their bikes," said Jude. "Being fiscally conservative, our agency does not have the financial resources to purchase media packages. We believe that by tapping into social media, we can still have a voice in proactive messaging, but at minimal expense."

Through April 4, there have been 429 motorcycle-related crashes resulting in 167 injuries and nine deaths. When compared to crashes in 2011 for the same time period that calculates into a 69 percent increase in crashes; 75 percent increase in injuries; and 44 percent increase in deaths.

Jude said the increase in motorcycle crashes and fatalities has stepped up the emphasis on the agency's annual Motorcycle Safety Day aware-

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DAN LYONS, a 60-year-old veteran of the Vietnam War, stopped and camped in Dawson Springs Monday night on his way from his home in Reno, Nev., to Washington D.C. where he has appointments to meet with Nevada's senators and his representative. Lyons is walking the 2,800 miles.

2,800 MILES FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

For One Man The Cause Is Important Enough To Walk

By
Carolyn Walker

Walking has become a favorite form of exercise and an enjoyable pastime for many people. Those who walk for their health may log several miles a day on their pedometers. But most have no particular destination in mind except to return home after their day's exercise.

For one man passing through Dawson Springs this week, it's all about the destination. Dan Lyons left Reno, Nev., Jan. 3 and has walked an average of 25 miles a day on his way to Washington, D.C. where he has an appointment at 8:30 a.m. June 7 with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid.

A U.S. Marine Corps veteran who served in Vietnam, Lyons has taken up the cause of homeless veterans in America. Over time, he had written many letters to the elected officials from his state, sent e-mails and made phone calls, all with no real response to his requests for support. This is what it took to get their attention — a

2,800 mile walk across the country to meet with them face to face.

On every step of the way he has carried with him proof of his appointment with Reid and of appointments with Sen. Dean Heller and Rep. Mark Amodei. This time he will not be denied.

Lyons believes every town with a population greater than 10,000 should have a veterans' center which provides programs to help homeless vets find work and get back into the mainstream of society and family life. Today's veterans are not receiving the benefits World War II vets were given, and Lyons said he sees the results of this. He has seen too many who are living under bridges or in homeless shelters.

"If we can spend money on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, we should spend money on the people who served there," he said. "You can't discard them."

Lyons hopes his meetings in Washington will lead to passage of a bill providing funds to begin such

veterans' programs.

"They know with walking 2,800 miles, I am really adamant about making this happen," he said.

While Lyons is confident in his ability to influence the lawmakers, he is also garnering all the support he can along the way. In each city on his route, he visits with the press to get his message out, to make average people understand the plight of some of our nation's heroes.

He appeared on the Channel 6 news Friday night during his visit to Paducah and was able to watch that interview online at The Progress office Monday afternoon. His walking schedule did not allow time to wait for the story to air.

Lyons is not only walking with a purpose in mind and a deadline to meet. He is living the life of a homeless person, learning first hand what the veterans he is trying to help are experiencing.

While in Paducah, he spent the

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SPRING CLEANUP

SUDS Is Beginning Monday

By
Carolyn Walker

The spring SUDS (Spruce Up Dawson Springs) campaign will begin Monday and continue through Saturday afternoon. During the week, local residents will have a number of opportunities to dispose of unwanted items and clean up their houses, garages and yards.

A roll-off dumpster for public use will be located inside the city garage on South Main Street. The garage will be open and monitored for trash drop off Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. In addition to regular trash, materials accepted include large furniture, such as couches, chairs, tables and bedding, which are no longer picked up during weekly garbage collection.

Pickup will be available for anyone who cannot get to the dumpster. To arrange for pickup, phone 797-2781 or 797-2844 one day prior to the desired collection date. The call must come from an occupied residence. Refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, microwaves and televisions will be picked up as well as tree limbs. One pickup truck load per household is the maximum for the week.

Some local businesses will participate in the SUDS campaign by offering specials on products used for cleanup.

Tires will not be accepted in Dawson Springs. However, the Barnsley Convenience Center will take up to four passenger tires at no charge on Saturday. There is a \$2 charge for additional tires. A three-day tire amnesty period is also scheduled later this spring.

Other items not accepted locally include the following household hazardous waste: drain cleaners, fluorescent lights, metal polish, batteries, photo chemicals, floor cleaners, rust preventatives, engine flush, oil based paint, wood strippers, transmission fluid, herbicides, pesticides, oven cleaners, mercury, creosote, sealants, fluids, antifreeze, solvents, brake fluid, paint thinner, muriatic acid, pool chemicals insect sprays and rodent killers. These products may be taken to the Madisonville Recycling

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RAISING AWARENESS FOR DISORDER

Allison McCarty Is Inspired To Help By Brother's Autism

By
Carolyn Walker

A generation ago few people had heard of autism, a developmental disorder affecting the brain's normal development of social and communication skills. Today, diagnoses are increasing at an alarming rate, and most people now know someone who has been touched in some way by autism. Many are experiencing the day-to-day struggle in their own families.

Allison McCarty is no stranger to the impact autism has on a family. The 14-year-old eighth grader at Lakota Plains Junior School in Liberty Township, Ohio, has worked for the past five years fund-raising for autism awareness. She also volunteers in special education classes at her school and at camps for children with autism. She has devoted much of her young

life to the cause in support of her older brother Gavin who was



diagnosed as a toddler. Now 17, Gavin was a normal baby but regressed and stopped speaking, a common

sign of the disorder. With the help of his family and a supportive school system he has done well and is considering a program at Western Kentucky University for autistic students.

With April designated National Autism Awareness Month, Allison is continuing her efforts by making pins from pieces of old jigsaw puzzles to sell at fund-raising walks. A puzzle piece is the international symbol of autism, reflecting the mystery of Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Allison and Gavin are the children of Melanie Clark McCarty and Kevin McCarty, former residents of Dawson Springs. Allison visited with her grandparents Donna and Bobby Clark the week of April 2.

GRANT FOR STANDARD EROSION CONTROL

Dawson Springs Airport Is Awarded \$250,000 Grant

The Dawson Springs Airport Board received welcome news Tuesday. Engineers Joe Carter and Craig Farmer flew into Dawson Springs to inform the board it will receive a \$250,000 grant for a Standard Erosion Control project.

A problem with a ditch next to the 2,500 foot air strip filling up with sediment was identified several years ago, and the board requested a new culvert. When state officials inspected the area, they saw that more work needed

to be done.

Part of the project will be to build a berm to prevent the ditch from filling up again and covering the runway.

"The airport board is very thankful. The city is very thankful that the need was recognized," said Mayor Jenny Sewell.



ENGINEER Frank Williams with Associated Engineers looks over the plans for erosion control with city employee Johnny McChesney, Clay Williams, member of the airport board member Dr. Herbert Chaney and Mayor Jenny Sewell.

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Hopkins Co. Health Dept. Issues Restaurant Report

The following restaurant inspection was conducted by the Hopkins County Health Department March 30–April 5.

A food service establishment must earn a minimum score of 85 with no critical violations in order to pass. Follow-up inspections of restaurants which do not meet that criteria will be conducted.

B.P.O.E. (Elks) — 98
Minor violations:
•Liquid spillage in bottom of cooler
•Debris buildup on can opener.

Bailey Pride VFW Post — 97

Minor violations:
•Wall in poor repair in back storage

•Thermometers needed in all cooling units.

Mrs. Bernadette’s Child Care — 98

Minor violation:
•Eggs not properly stored.

Daydreams Academy — 99

Minor violation:
•Door gasket on cooler door in poor repair.

Best Western Plus — 100

No violations.

Captain D’s — 89

Major violation:

•Various personal items stored by food product.

Minor violations:

•Hair restraints needed

•Cups stored on floor

•Ice scoop not properly stored

•Lid cracked on sweet tea dispenser.

Captain D’s (follow-up) — 94

Minor violations:

•Hair restraints needed

•Cups stored on floor

•Ice scoop not properly stored

•Lid cracked on sweet tea dispenser.

Country Cupboard — 97

Minor violations:

•Hand towels missing by sink in dish area and bakery

•Fan vents need cleaning in walk-in unit.

The Homestead — 99

Minor violation:

•Vent cover in need of cleaning.

Madisonville-North Hopkins High School — 100

No violations.

Perfect Angels Childcare and Enrichment Center — 99

Minor violation:

•Sticky shelves above stove.

Pride Avenue School — 100

No violations.

Regional Medical Center — 97

Minor violations:

•Soiled wet cloth on counter in grill area

•Food spillage on floor in one cooler unit

•Large can opener in need of cleaning.

Salvation Army Kitchen — 98

Minor violations:

•Napkins stored on floor

•Hand sink leaking in kitchen.

Taco John’s —97

Minor violations:

•Ice scoop has crack, needs replacing

•Tortillas on top chest freezer.

Toddler Academy — 100

No violations.

Wendy’s — 99

Minor violation:

•Debris on floor by drive through.



IT is not unusual to find Charlie Beshears with his camera. Here he is capturing a memorable moment during the Fancy Nancy Tea at the branch library Saturday, March 31.

submitted photo

Atmos Energy Urges Public To ‘Dial Before You Dig’

With spring in the air and flowers beginning to bud, people are spending more and more time outdoors. Whether it is time to put in a new fence, plant a tree or dig up a few shrubs, Atmos Energy reminds everyone to dial 811 before digging.

“With one call to 811, all buried utility lines will be marked,” Atmos Energy Kentucky President Kevin Akers said. “The leading cause of pipeline damage remains the failure to call 811 for line locates.”

Nearly 60 percent of all incidents on utility distribution pipelines result from excavation damage, according to the

American Gas Association. The nationwide 811 One-Call program is provided at no charge, and it can save time and money as well as prevent threats to life and property.

In Kentucky, it is state law to call 811 in advance. Kentucky requires at least two full business days’ notice before excavation begins.

“Whether you’re going to do the work yourself or hire a professional, call 811 before you dig to prevent damage to underground facilities,” Akers said.

For more information about the toll-free 811 service, visit www.atmosenergy.com.

Kentuckians Are Warned Of GED Internet Scams

Kentucky Adult Education, a unit of the Council on Post-secondary Education, issued a consumer alert Monday regarding fraudulent Web sites claiming to offer high school and GED diplomas for a fee through the Internet.

“Kentuckians need to know there is one way to earn a GED credential and that is through a test administered on site at an Official GED Testing Center,” said Reece Stagnolia, vice president for Kentucky Adult Education.

Only a state may issue the GED test credential. The GED tests are not available online as claimed on these Web sites. The exam, which takes more

than seven hours to complete, is administered only at Official GED Testing Centers.

Many of the same misleading Web sites also offer GED instruction for a fee. Kentucky Adult Education offers free instruction online through local adult education centers and offers classes in every Kentucky county. For a limited time, Kentuckians can also take advantage of free GED testing.

The GED test consists of a series of five tests that measure achievement in subject areas associated with a high school program of study. The GED Testing Service, the provider of these tests, has strict policies regarding test administration.

Nearly 800,000 adults across the country take the GED test each year on their path to better jobs, training and education. In 2010-2011, Kentucky Adult Education awarded 10,294 GED credentials.

The GED Testing Service has created the first online repository where educators and test-takers can get assistance in spotting a suspicious claim. The site has a list of fraudulent Web sites, information about how to determine legitimate accreditation and an area to report suspected fraud.

Visit www.GEDtestingservice.com/fraud to learn more and read the press release.

St. Charles Road Closing May Last Several Weeks

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet plans to close Ky. 454/St. Charles Road in Hopkins County starting Monday.

This closure at mile point 1.044 is to allow the overpass that crosses Interstate 69/Western Kentucky Parkway to be raised to improve overhead clearance to meet interstate standards.

This closure is expected to be in place for several weeks. A marked detour will be provided.

Ky. State Police Post 2 Reports March Activities

For the month of March, Kentucky State Police Post 2 issued a total of 2,230 citations, 527 speeding citations, 181 seat belt citations, 11 child restraint citations, and 661 courtesy notices. They arrested 44 impaired drivers, investigated 60 traffic crashes, assisted 157 stranded motorists, responded to 883 calls for service, made 809 criminal arrests and opened 50 criminal cases.

Three fatal crashes resulting in the loss of three lives were reported in the Post 2 District in March. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Caldwell, Christian and Hopkins coun-

ties. Two victims were wearing seat belts, and one victim was not wearing a seat belt.

Through March 31, 2011, six people had been killed in six crashes in the Post 2 District.

Throughout the month, troopers will conduct traffic safety checkpoints in the Post 2 District. At the checkpoints, troopers will be targeting impaired drivers, checking for properly restrained adults and children and observing for any other safety violations. For traffic safety checkpoint locations in your area, refer to the Web site: www.kentuckystatepolice.org/posts/press/post2_checkpoints.htm.

Dawson Springs Officers Report Week’s Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week.

—Christopher L. Richey, 25, 1040 Fork Springs Road, was arrested April 2 on Ky. 109 North. He was charged with fourth-degree assault (domestic violence) with minor injury (Hopkins County Sheriff’s Department warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Robert B. Evans, 39, 3921 Niles Road, was arrested April 2 on Ky. 109 North. He was charged with nonpayment of fines (Hopkins County bench warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Sean T. Ford, 32, 325 S. Hopkinsville Road, Nortonville, was served a criminal summons April 3. He was charged with two counts of theft by deception. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Jeremiah D. Chapman, 29, 642 Hall St., Madisonville, was arrested April 3. He was charged with failure to pay fines (Hopkins County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Krystal B. Long, 21, 190 Cottonwood Loop, Madisonville, was arrested April 3 on 4-H Camp Road. She was charged with failure to appear (Hopkins County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Sherri R. Nash, 39, 407 Holmes St., was arrested April 4 at her residence. She was charged with nonpayment of fines (Hopkins County bench warrant). Josh Travis was the charging officer, assisted by Capt. Craig Patterson.

—Micheal L. Stanley, 46, 306 N. Main St., was arrested April 6 at his residence. He was charged with careless driving, driving on a DUI suspended license and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs/etc.

Josh Travis was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

A local woman was charged by the Madisonville Police Department: —Candice E. Miller, 28, 3820 Charleston Road, was charged April 6 with failure to pay.

Three Dawson Springs residents were charged by the Hopkins County Sheriff’s Department: —Jennifer L. Matheny, 40, Railroad Avenue, was summoned March 29 for fourth-degree assault and criminal trespassing.

—Brettany A. Adams, 45, North Trim Street, was summoned April 4 for theft by failure to make a required disposition of property.

—WilliamH. Lively, 55, Nortonville Road, was charged April 5 with fourth-degree assault and wanton endangerment.

Dawson Springs Man Dies In Single-Vehicle Accident

Alexander M. Hinton, 26, of Dawson Springs, died April 5 in a single-vehicle accident on Ky. 70 near Richland.

According to Kentucky State Police, Hinton, who was traveling at a high rate of speed, lost control of his vehicle as he entered a curve. His vehicle left the highway and struck a tree. He was pro-

nounced dead at the scene by Hopkins County Coroner Dennis Mayfield.

Hinton’s 4-year-old daughter was in a booster seat in the back seat. She was transported to Regional Medical Center for treatment.

Trooper First Class John Komar was the investigating officer.

KSP Personnel Recognized For Dedication/Long Hours

When violent storms and tornados ravaged 16 Eastern Kentucky counties on the night of March 2, Kentucky State Police telecommunications were some of the first to respond, handling urgent requests for assistance and sending emergency personnel and equipment to the stricken communities. Often working in excess of normal 12-hour shifts, they played vital roles in alerting law enforcement, fire, rescue and medical services, coordinating communications and directing help to where it was needed.

This week more than 200,000 Kentucky State Police telecommunications personnel, including those at Post 2, were recognized for their long

hours and dedication to public safety.

“Across the state, our telecommunications are just a phone call away for those seeking help in times of personal crisis or community disaster,” said KSP Commissioner Rodney Brewer. “They are on duty every day, every night, every weekend and every holiday, providing a calming voice to citizens in need and behind-the-scenes support to first responders on the street. Their efforts often make the difference between life and death. They have earned a well-deserved salute for their dedication and service to the Kentucky State Police and the citizens of the commonwealth.”

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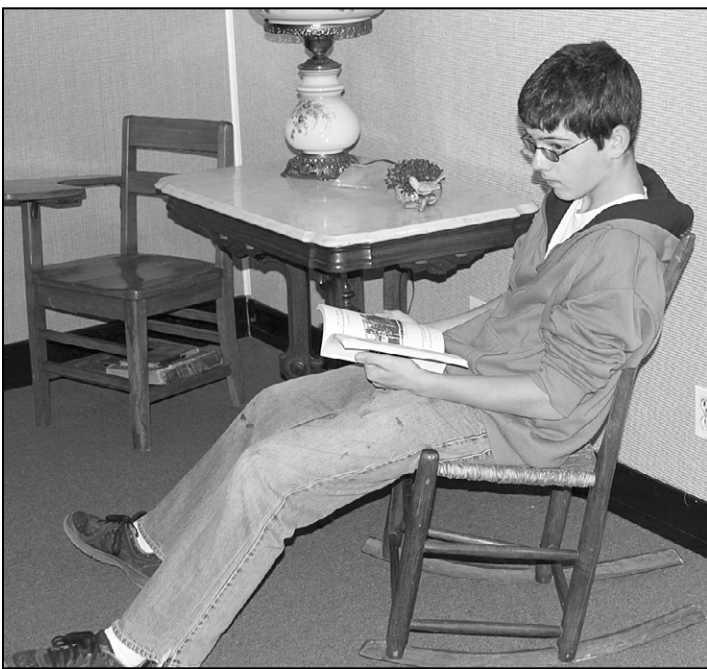
Mother/Children Injured In Two-Vehicle Collision

The Kentucky State Police investigated a two-vehicle injury collision that occurred at the intersection of Ky. 2171 and Sandcut Road, approximately two miles east of Earlington at approximately 7:20 a.m. Monday.

Preliminary investigation reveals Samuel W. Dillingham, 40, of Madisonville, was stopped at a stop sign on Sandcut Road facing south. Karen E. Wilkey, 34, also of Madisonville, was eastbound on Ky. 2171 approaching the intersection with Sandcut Road.

Dillingham did not see Wilkey's vehicle approaching and pulled into the intersection. The two vehicles collided. Dillingham, who was wearing a seat belt, was not injured. Wilkey and her two passengers, Brett Wilkey, 6, and Katherine Wilkey, 3, were transported by ambulance to Regional Medical Center for treatment. Karen Wilkey and Brett Wilkey were wearing seat belts. Katherine Wilkey was restrained in a child safety seat.

Trooper First Class John Komar investigated the collision.



JUSTIN BULLOCK looks through a book while visiting the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center Tuesday, March 27, with his class.

Hopkins County To Receive \$4 Million Coal Severance

More than \$4 million in coal severance funds will flow into Hopkins County in the next two fiscal years under the state budget plan approved Friday, said Sen. Jerry P. Rhoads.

The funds are targeted for a variety of needs including economic development, public safety and recreation.

“Coal severance tax revenue is used for basic improvements throughout Kentucky, particularly in rural areas,” Rhoads said. “I am extremely proud of these projects because they will improve the quality of life in Hopkins County.”

The budget allocates \$1 million for the construction of the Hopkins County Sports Complex and \$350,000 for park improvements.

“Investments in the community through such facilities as the parks and the sports complex are investments in the future of Hopkins County. These facilities are not only utilized by the residents but also attract people from across the state to Hopkins County,” Rhoads said. “They are assets in continued economic development by attracting tourism. But, even more importantly, investments in the parks, sports complex and other recreation facilities is an investment in our most precious resource — our youth.”

The budget provides \$400,000 for the Hopkins County Fiscal Court for road equipment, \$120,000 for ren-

ovations of Rosenwald Smith and \$120,000 for Ballard Center upgrades.

In addition, the budget includes \$300,000 for the Madisonville Community College Synergy Lab and \$20,000 for Madisonville Community College — School Counts.

Money was allocated for water projects: \$200,000 for repairs and restoration of the city of Dawson Springs water tank, \$200,000 for water project improvements for the city of Hanson and \$200,000 for water project improvements for the city of White Plains.

“Providing clean and safe drinking water to Western Kentucky has always been one of my priorities,” Rhoads said. “Water is an essential for life. People in other parts of the state take clean drinking water for granted.”

Public safety is also a priority, with the 14 local volunteer fire departments to receive \$10,000 each.

The budget also allocated funds for the old city building in Madisonville, the city building in Mortons Gap, improvements of the Nebo Community Center and \$500,000 for projects appropriated by the fiscal court.

The coal severance tax is five percent levied on every ton of coal mined in Kentucky. Legislators in both the Senate and House work hand-in-hand with local county officials in targeting projects for the coal severance dollars.

Workshops Scheduled For Business And Industry Reps

The Cabinet for Economic Development's Bluegrass State Skills Corporation will conduct five training sessions across the state during April. The workshops are intended to familiarize Kentucky business and industry representatives with state workforce training program guidelines.

Participants will learn about project funding limits, eligible training types, the application process and the reimbursement and credit process for the grant-in-aid and skills training investment tax credit programs. Human resource managers, training managers, plant managers and others from BSSC-eligible firms who are responsible for employee training are encouraged to attend one of the training sessions. To determine eligibility, refer to www.ThinkKentucky.com/bssc.

“These workshops are an excellent way for Kentucky businesses to learn more about the workforce training

programs the cabinet offers,” said Robert Curry, executive director of the Bluegrass State Skills Corporation. “Training Kentucky's workforce is a vital part of furthering our economic development efforts, and we want to make sure our existing industries know how to utilize these important programs.”

Pre-registration is requested at least two days prior to the training session due to limited sessions and seating. Registration requests may be e-mailed to CED.BSSCgrp@ky.gov or Jennifer.Burkhead@ky.gov and must include name, phone number, company name and location of desired training session.

A training session will be held April 24 from 10 a.m. to noon at Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park in Gilbertsville.

Other sessions are scheduled in Elizabethtown, Corbin, Carrollton and Morehead. For dates and times visit www.ThinkKentucky.com.

MCC Will Host An Event For Diverse Businesses

Madisonville Community College will host an event for area diverse business owners to learn more about opportunities for doing business with the college. The event, in support of the KCTCS Supplier Diversity Initiative, will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 8 in room 270 of the Brown Badgett Sr. Energy and Advanced Technology Center on MCC's North campus.

“Supplier Diversity was initiated to mirror our diverse communities in all facets of KCTCS business,” said Ray Gillaspie, MCC's Chief Business Affairs Officer. “This is a great opportunity for diverse vendors to register, qualify, and receive notification of business opportunities with Madisonville Community College or other KCTCS colleges statewide. We look forward to expanding our vendor list and enhancing diversity for our college.”

Once a diverse business is registered with the initiative, it will be notified by phone and e-mail when a matching oppor-

tunity occurs. Newsletters and other communications will also keep businesses updated on future opportunities, initiative related events and more.

The overall objective of the Supplier Diversity Initiative is to ensure KCTCS meets the 2010-2016 Strategic Plan goals to “reflect the diversity of the students and employees of our 16 colleges and the citizens of the commonwealth of Kentucky.”

The agenda includes an overview of how the initiative works, a demonstration of the online registration process and an open question and answer session. A brief tour of the college campus will follow for interested attendees. Purchasing agents for the college will be present. Light snacks will be provided.

For additional information, phone 824-8592. Interested diverse suppliers may also visit supplierdiversity.kctcs.edu to learn more about the initiative or to register their companies.

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Veteran Identification Now Legal On Driver's License

Gov. Steve Beshear has signed into law a bill allowing veterans to have their status included on new and renewed driver licenses.

"This new law fills a long-standing need of our veterans," Beshear said. "My thanks and congratulations to the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and Kentucky's Circuit Court Clerks for their cooperation and hard work in making this a reality."

Veterans frequently seek official government identification recognizing them as veterans.

Only veterans who retire from the military or who are 100 percent service-connected disabled are eligible for mili-

tary identification cards.

The vast majority of Kentucky's veterans do not fall into those two categories.

Although a military discharge document, known as a DD-214, should be sufficient proof of veteran status, many businesses and organizations that offer discounts to veterans do not realize it is a valid form of veteran ID.

The new law offering veterans a "Veteran" designation on a new or renewed driver's license solves that problem. Beginning July 15, when veterans renew their driver's license on expiration, or get a new one because of a change of address, they can show your DD-214 to the Circuit Court Clerk and request a "Veteran" designation on the license.



BILL LANHAM enjoys a lasagna lunch with his daughter **Cindy Allen** Tuesday, April 4, at the Dawson Springs Branch Library.

Obituary Policy

Obituaries are published free of charge as a public service by The Dawson Springs Progress. Information is provided by funeral homes and the funeral home is responsible for accuracy. Free obituaries may include the following: person's name, age, address, date of death, date and place of services, minister, burial site and memorial contributions. Survivors and those who preceded the deceased in death will include spouse's name, childrens' names, number of grandchildren and/or great grandchildren and siblings' names. Also included is place of birth, date of birth, parents' names, one occupation or former occupation if retired, service club memberships, church membership, pall bearers and if they graduated from Dawson Springs High School. Paid obituaries will include any information the family wishes to submit. The charge for a paid obituary is \$3.50 per column inch.

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OBITUARIES

Services Are Saturday For Mary Ann McKinney, 68

The funeral for Mary Ann McKinney, 68, of Madisonville, formerly of Dawson Springs, was held Saturday at Beshear Funeral Home.

Russell Kline officiated. Burial was in Ilsley Cemetery.

Mrs. McKinney died at 9:30 a.m. April 4, 2012, at her home.

She was born Sept. 21, 1943, in Dawson Springs, to the late James Luther and Elmer Neveline Russell Edwards.

She was a 1961 graduate of Dawson Springs High School and worked for the Corp of Engineers.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Prow; and a brother, Mike Edwards.

Survivors include her husband, Larry McKinney, Madisonville; three stepsons, Howard Ligon McKinney, Jeffery Wayne McKinney and David Lee McKin-



MARY ANN MCKINNEY

ney, all Madisonville; three sisters, Kathy Todd and Eva Lee Eison, both Dawson Springs, and Linda Killough, Groveport, Ohio; three brothers, James Ray Edwards and Luther Russell Edwards, both Dawson Springs, and Bobby Joe Edwards, North Judson, Ind.; and two stepgrandchildren.

Services Are Wednesday For Dora Sue Bullock, 73

The funeral for Dora Sue Bullock, 73, of Dawson Springs, was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Beshear Funeral Home. Visitation was from 11 a.m. until the funeral hour.

The Rev. Roger Felker officiated. Burial was in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Bullock died at 3:50 p.m. April 8, 2012, at Regional Medical Center.

She was born April 17, 1938, in Hopkins County, to the late Marion Volney and Cora Helen Duncan Barton.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Princeton General Baptist Church.

In addition to her parents,

she was preceded in death by a son, Steven Bullock; 10 sisters; and one brother.

Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Robert "Bob" Bullock, Dawson Springs; three daughters, Pam Phelps, Princeton, Debbie Purdy, Dawson Springs, and Aimee Wilkerson, Madisonville; two sons, Jeff Bullock and Barry Bullock, both Dawson Springs; 17 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Dawson Springs Branch Library, P.O. Box 9, Dawson Springs, KY 42408.

Services Are Held Saturday For Joyce Dunning Smith

The funeral for Joyce Smith, 68, of Princeton, was held Saturday at Morgan's Funeral Home.

The Rev. Wayne Glass and the Rev. Mike Boyd officiated. Entombment was at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Smith died April 5 at her home.

She was a supervisor for Kentucky State Penitentiary in the garment factory and a member of Southside Baptist Church.

Preceding her in death were

her parents, Levi and Arlene Barrett Dunning; and three brothers, Hale Dunning, Norvel Dunning and R.L. Dunning.

Survivors include her husband, Newman Larry Smith, Princeton; two sons, Larry Edward Smith, Eddyville, and Justin Smith, Princeton; a daughter, Debbie Peifer, Paducah; two brothers, Dale Dunning, Eddyville, and Gene Dunning, Paducah; a sister, Dorothy McKinney, Lyon County; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Revival Now In Progress At Union Temple Baptist

Union Temple Baptist Church in St. Charles will hold a revival April 11-13. Services begin at 7 p.m. nightly with Bro. Jackie

Mathis as the evangelist.

Bro. David Hoard and the congregation invite the public to attend.

Adult College Fairs Planned Throughout State In April

The Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) will host Adult College Fairs at all 16 of its colleges beginning next week. The first will be at Maysville Community and Technical College on April 10, and the final at Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College on April 20.

The Adult College Fairs will offer non-traditional students first-hand information about KCTCS colleges in their communities. Representatives from all 16 colleges will share:

- How to apply for admission
- How and where to apply

for financial aid

– The majors offered at their college and career-oriented degrees

– Convenient campus locations

Dates and times of Adult College Fairs in the Pennyriple area include:

– April 17 Hopkinsville Community College Auditorium Building Gallery, 3-9 p.m.

– April 19 Madisonville Community College North Campus, 5-7 p.m.

For more information about Adult College Fair dates, times and locations, log on to kctcs.edu.



WITH spring weather the need to mow lawns is back. Here **Don Garrett** is mowing the lawn at **Britt Chiropractic Life Center**.

Kentucky Science Olympiad Scheduled At WKU April 21

About 700 students from across Kentucky will compete in the Kentucky Science Olympiad at Western Kentucky University on April 21.

Teams from 24 middle schools and 24 high schools will compete in 23 events including anatomy, dynamic planet, food science, meteorology, helicopters, astronomy, chemistry, computer science,

biology, geology, physics and more.

The top team in both middle and high school divisions will advance to the national competition in May.

The competition begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:45 p.m. at various locations around campus including Ogden College of Science and Engineering buildings.

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Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 10 a.m.
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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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Church Service, 4 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
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ABOUT TOWN

By Scott

Trip To Vegas Makes Memories

Jed used to always chide our cousin Kent about the “cattle ranch” operation our cuz was involved with. As far as I know, Kent is the only one in our family ever to own any “head of cattle.”

Many of us have owned parts of the animals — that is until they were cooked and devoured — but have never even thought about owning an entire animal.

But there is a part of a cow we all have — calves. I was very aware of my ownership of a couple of calves last week because they were hurting, as were my feet.

The cause of the pain in my calves and feet was excessive walking, and that was because of a trip to that destination of clean living — Las Vegas.

My family always chuckled about Jed’s annual or biannual trips to Vegas. He would fly in to the airport, grab a cab and proceed to his destination — which was always The Mirage Hotel and Casino.

He would generally stay there during his entire vacation to Sin City and not venture out onto “The Strip.”

Now I know why. He didn’t want his calves to hurt.

Beth and I arrived in Vegas last Wednesday (April 4) and proceeded to our hotel — a Hilton property located on the strip but not near downtown and not near any of the large casinos along the south side of Las Vegas Boulevard (The Strip).

After getting settled in, we wanted to see some of the larger hotels and casinos up close. We could see them already because it’s so flat in that valley you can see for miles and miles. And that’s what it was to the part of the strip where the MGM Grand and Mandalay Bay hotels are — miles and miles away.

We only made it as far as The Mirage and Caesar’s Palace that first night. I placed my huge wager of the trip at the sports book in The Mirage. The bet was placed on my beloved Los Angeles Dodgers’ opening game against the San Diego Padres. The odds were in the Padres favor, but I went with my heart — \$15 for a chance to win \$10 if the Dodgers won. (They did.)

That was easily my largest wager of the trip. It was also the only winning wager. It’s good I don’t really care for gambling since I have neither the smarts nor the stomach for losing.

To air all my dirty laundry, even though they say what happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas — there were two other \$10 wagers in slot machines and they produced no winnings. So for the trip I lost \$10 which really isn’t bad, but I won’t be able to take it off my taxes next year.

We ate our first meal in Vegas at B.B. King’s Restaurant and Blues Club inside The Mirage. The ribs were good, although a bit too spicy for Beth.

We slowly proceeded back to the hotel but stopped along the way to see some of the other casinos — Margaritaville Casino, The Flamingo, The Wynn, Casino Royale and others — but I had to stop for several glasses of water. The dessert is dry.

We were out late considering earlier the same day (before 7 a.m. in Dawson Springs) I was filling racks with fresh copies of The Dawson Springs Progress. The next day was windy

and cooler, but not as windy or as cool as the following day. On each day we first took in a little shopping since it was too cool to hang around our hotel’s pool.

Each late afternoon we headed toward the action on the south end of The Strip, but now we had wised up and bought 24-hour bus tickets that would take us anywhere along Las Vegas Boulevard.

We headed to Mandalay Bay and worked our way back through the Luxor and Excalibur before heading to Hooters Casino. We ate at a restaurant there called The Mad Onion. We chose it because of a \$9.99 prime rib special — which was tasty.

We then went through New York New York, MGM Grand, The Bellagio and Caesar’s Palace before heading back in after a long night.

Most of the casinos and hotels are unlike anything you see anywhere. Each has its own theme and decorations. The Bellagio is unbelievably beautiful. Fresh flowers are everywhere and it’s just undescribable — but much more crowded than where we stayed.

Our final night in Vegas was more of the same except we had tickets for a show. We took the bus to Caesar’s where we went through the Forum Shops looking for the venue for the show (The Colisseum) and staking out a place to eat dinner.

The Forum Shops is a collection of stores (virtually a mall) but with a Roman twist in decorations and architecture.

We ate at a place called Rao’s — an Italian restaurant where we were told is the hardest reservation to get in New York City. In Las Vegas at 5 p.m. we were able to walk right in to enjoy lump crab with spinach and pasta. It was very good.

After a little bit of killing time (which some of us used to insert money into slot machines) it was time to see Rod Stewart.

The music of Rod Stewart is always something I have enjoyed, but I’ve never been just a huge fan. I am now. His show was unbelievable for anyone, much less for a 67-year-old singer. The 13-member band was exceptional, and the venue was very comfortable.

Beth sat next to a lady and her dad from Australia. They were in the U.S. for three weeks with her mother, her husband and children. It’s a pleasure to hear the Aussie’s accent, and they were very pleasurable folks.

After the show we made our way back through a maze of casinos again, only this time the crowds were huge. Friday night in Vegas must be when they let everyone loose in Los Angeles and send them on a road trip west. The casinos were full, the sidewalks were full and my feet and calves were still hurting.

After taking all this we could, we made our way to the Venetian and grabbed a cab for the trip back to our hotel.

The next day (Saturday) we hung out at the hotel until time to catch the plane.

If you have never ventured to Sin City, it’s something to see — and you really don’t have to do any sinning — at least not too much.



COMMENTARIES

Kentucky Needs Pill Mill Legislation

Submitted by
Various Mayors From
Kentucky League of Cities

On April 12, lawmakers will assemble for the last day of the 60-day session. While the General Assembly concluded the bulk of its work before leaving Frankfort last Friday, it left one of the most critical pieces of legislation for our state and communities uncompleted. The General Assembly has yet to pass House Bill 4, commonly referred to as the pill mill bill. The measure, which would provide oversight of pain clinics and greater monitoring of prescription drug abuse, has strong bipartisan support in both chambers and from the gover-

nor. In addition, city officials from every corner of our state have advocated for passage of this legislation as essential to protecting the quality of life in our communities.

Prescription drug abuse is perpetuated in our communities through fraudulent pain management facilities. These “pill mills” are set up almost overnight and quickly have drug users lined up around city blocks to get more pain medicine to abuse or sell. Right now, when the owners of the facilities sense they are under investigation, they can easily relocate in another community, delaying law enforcement action.

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OTHER EDITORS

Stand Your Ground Is Questioned

If anything positive is to come of the heartless and unnecessary killing of 17-year-old Trayvon Martin in Florida, it should be close scrutiny and rejection of the odious “stand your ground” laws that have been embraced by more than 30 state legislatures.

There’s no way to tell whether the law — which basically allows a person who feels threatened to shoot and kill his antagonist, even if a non-deadly retreat is feasible — led to Mr. Martin’s death. The man who killed him, neighborhood-watch volunteer George Zimmerman, was armed legally with a firearm, for the simple reason that the gun insanity that grips the United States allows almost any adult to be so armed. That’s a situation emulated by no other developed society in the world.

Regardless of what thoughts were rattling around inside Mr. Zimmerman’s brain, however, Florida’s “stand your ground” law is certainly responsible for the absence of any criminal charge to date against Mr. Zimmerman — a development that is responsible for so much of the national outrage sparked by the tragedy. Indeed, prosecutors overruled a police homicide investigator’s recommendation that Mr. Zimmerman be charged with manslaughter on the grounds that there was insufficient evidence under the state’s “stand your ground” statute, although a review of the case continues.

If Mr. Zimmerman is able to avoid charges completely, it will mean this: An armed man in a motor vehicle, who ignores police directives not to follow a teenager whom he views as suspicious, and then shoots and kills the young man who is carrying only a cellphone, iced tea and a bag of Skittles, does not even have to answer a crim-

inal charge or defend himself against civil liability.

The “stand your ground” wave has some understandable roots beyond the raw power of American gun mania. After the 9/11 terrorist attacks — and again after reports of looting in the aftermath of Hurricane Ivan in Florida in 2004 and of Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana in 2005 — many people understandably felt fearful and insecure. Some people genuinely believed steps needed to be taken to give law-abiding citizens the upper hand.

But the “stand your ground” cause was also pushed relentlessly by the National Rifle Association, whose vision of a fully armed citizenry suits the financial interest of its principal backers, gun manufacturers. With hefty campaign contributions and potent endorsements, the NRA manipulates legislatures and bullies opponents.

Kentucky and Indiana regrettably joined the list of states that signed on to “stand your ground” laws. Officials say the laws infrequently come into play, but as Courier-Journal reporter Andrew Wolfson wrote, there are instances in both states where they have caused police and prosecutors to tread lightly after killings.

Two points stand out as critically important.

The first is that “stand your ground” laws can greatly complicate prosecution. State’s attorneys in Florida argue that gang killings, and even murders for hire, can be justified as necessary to repel a “threat,” even when the shooter initiated the confrontation.

The second is that the laws achieve little positive that would outweigh their capacity for tragedy. FBI statistics show that nationally the number of

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LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, April 11, 2002.)

Hopkins County Central pitcher Leigh Ann Moore dominated the Panther softball game in pitching to a 7-0 win on Tuesday, April 2.

The funeral for Mrs. Lelia Mae Giffin, 79, was held Tuesday afternoon, April 9, at Beshear Funeral Home.

25 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, April 16, 1987.)

Two Dawson Springs High School juniors have been chosen Governor’s Scholars. They are Troy Howton and Joan Hicks.

Services were held for Mrs. Lula Pearl Allard, 55, Friday afternoon, April 10, at

Beshear Funeral Home.

50 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, April 12, 1962.)

Members of the First Christian Church will use their new \$100,000-plus building for the first time Sunday.

For the first time in several years the local high school will field a baseball team. Phillip Back will coach the team.

Taken from a Clark, Beshear and Clark ad in this week’s edition:

7-pc. Dinette Sets-from \$69.95; 4-pc. Maple Bedroom suite-\$149; 3-pc. Solid Cherry Bedroom suite-\$275; 2-pc. Living Room Suite-\$149.95; 4x6 Braided Rug-\$11.95; and Decorator Tables-\$10.

MOMENTS IN TIME

• On April 14, 1818, Noah Webster, a Yale-educated lawyer with an avid interest in language and education, publishes his American Dictionary of the English Language. The dictionary, which took him more than two decades to complete, introduced more than 10,000 “Americanisms.”

• On April 12, 1861, the Civil War begins when Confederate shore batteries under General P.G.T. Beauregard open fire on Union-held Fort Sumter in South Carolina’s Charleston Bay. During the next 34 hours, 50 Confederate guns and mortars launched more than 4,000 rounds at the poorly supplied fort.

• On April 10, 1906, O. Henry’s second short-story collection, “The Four Million,” is published. O. Henry was the pen name adopted by William Sydney Porter. Porter began writing in the late 1880s but didn’t apply himself seriously until 1898, when he was jailed for embezzling from a bank in Austin, Texas.

• On April 15, 1924, Rand

McNally releases its first comprehensive road atlas. The first version was called the Rand McNally Auto Chum. Today Rand McNally is the world’s largest maker of atlases in print and electronic media.

• On April 11, 1945, the American Third Army liberates the Buchenwald concentration camp near Weimar, Germany. Buchenwald will be judged second only to Auschwitz in the horrors it imposed on its prisoners. Among those saved by the Americans was Elie Wiesel, who would go on to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 1986.

• April 9, 1969, the Chicago Eight, indicted on federal charges of conspiracy to cross state lines with intent to incite a riot at the 1968 Democratic convention in Chicago, plead not guilty. The trial turned into a circus as the defendants and their attorneys used the court as a platform to attack President Richard Nixon, the Vietnam War, racism and oppression.

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PAINTING a doghouse to be placed in a downtown business as a collection box for donations to the Hopkins County Humane Society is Dawson Springs High School student Trace Menser.

Pill Mill Legislation

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As the mayors of Kentucky cities, we see the slew of social and economic problems caused by prescription drug abuse. Theft, home invasions, robbery, increased violence, incarceration, expensive rehabilitation treatment, medical costs from overdoses and drug related injuries all threaten the safety of citizens and affect the bottom line for taxpayers. Additionally, our communities absorb the economic impact of abusers' time lost from work and increased demand on social welfare programs. Many of our local businesses can't get enough workers who can pass a drug screening, and businesses who may consider locating here turn away at the sight of this pervasive drug abuse.

House Bill 4 would require all pain management centers be owned by licensed medical professionals or hospitals. The Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure would also be required to stop granting licenses to doctors charged for overprescribing in other states and immediately suspend licenses when doctors are indicted. It moves the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (KASPER) system under the oversight of the Kentucky attorney general, which gives

law enforcement increased access to the data. Right now, law enforcement cannot see data regarding unusual prescribing practices. The bill requires more doctors to use KASPER before prescribing and outlines mandatory addiction awareness training. Additionally, it makes Kentucky a part of the interstate compact for state prescription monitoring programs, since we all know that this problem does not recognize geographic boundaries.

Local leaders and citizens are relying on the General Assembly to take strong and decisive action on this issue right now. As pointed out by the attorney general in a legal opinion last year, city and county governments lack the legal authority to impose local laws to eradicate this problem. Therefore, the burden falls squarely on the shoulders of the members of the General Assembly to ensure that this legislation is enacted and that it is not weakened to eliminate many of the important requirements, such as the immediate requirement for physician ownership of pain management clinics. This legislation is far too important for the future of our commonwealth to be derailed or weakened by the Kentucky Medical Association or separate pain clinic interests. The General Assembly must remain resolute to keep Kentucky from becoming the pill mill capital of the United States.

If the members of the General Assembly fail to act with conviction on this legislation, they should untie the hands of local governments because local officials have the fortitude and courage to take bold action to save their communities from this scourge.

All citizens should join with their local officials in contacting lawmakers to urge enactment of strong legislation to address prescription drug abuse on April 12.

Henderson Mayor Steve Austin, Winchester Mayor Ed Burner, Hazard Mayor Nan Gorman, Pikeville Mayor Frank Justice, Hopkinsville Mayor Dan Kemp, Paducah Mayor Bill Paxton, Paintsville Mayor Bob Porter, Crestview Hills Mayor Paul Meier and London Mayor Troy Rudder are members of the Kentucky League of Cities.

KET's Kentucky Life Visits Caldwell Co. In April

On the next edition of "Kentucky Life," host Dave Shuffett joins a team of ghost hunters during an eerie stop at Octagon Hall in Franklin, which many believe is one of the most haunted sites in America. The program also visits the Wilson-Blair African-American One Room Schoolhouse and Museum in Caldwell County; explores the cliffs above Lake Cumberland in Burnside; and more. The program airs Saturday, April 28, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 29, at 3 p.m. on KET.

In Franklin in Simpson County, Shuffett visits Octagon Hall, an aptly named eight-

sided mansion with an abundance of Civil War history and a growing notoriety among aficionados of the paranormal. The house is considered one of the most haunted places in the United States and is frequented by celebrity ghost hunters. Shuffett discovers that the house's rumored "presences" weren't shy about making themselves known.

In the tiny town of Fredonia in Caldwell County, lessons are still being learned at the Wilson-Blair African-American One Room School and Museum, which has been preserved through the efforts of some dedicated volunteers. Gen-

erations of African-American students in the town attended school in this building, which now showcases several historical collections and African-American memorabilia.

The program also visits Eagles View Bed and Breakfast in Burnside, a lodge perched above the cliffs of Lake Cumberland that has the look of a

hunting lodge from the American West but with a comfortable style that's pure Kentucky.

In addition, Shuffett visits the Hopewell Museum in Bourbon County. The museum, housed in an elegant Beaux Art-style building from 1908, contains collections of regional historic artifacts, as well as examples of fine and decorative art.

Camera Is Not Enough

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of secrecy — unlike Washington's debt-cutting Super Committee that recently met to do "the people's business" even though most of the people's representatives were not even allowed in the room.

At least a lone Kentucky Educational Television camera was allowed to record the negotiations in Frankfort.

Washington's elitist-acting Super Committee, on the other hand, refused all requests to televise its meetings.

Still, one public-TV camera doth not transparency make. No commercial TV or radio news outfits were allowed to plunk their microphones down in full view of the politicians in Frankfort as they made last-minute deals, doling out our tax dollars in a room with the blinds pulled.

What's wrong with the sunshine?

If you're going to allow a single camera in the room, why not go all the way and just allow reporters, other legislators and even citizens to observe the body language and environment camouflaged by the camera?

When I was a government reporter for the Bowling Green Daily News, the newspaper's attorneys would have been inviting commissioners to clear out their schedules for court dates had a city manager or mayor tried to limit my ability to cover meetings by forcing me to watch cable-TV's coverage.

No doubt there were some

that would have liked nothing more — because they were "more comfortable" discussing issues out of the public purview. At least that is what I'm often told.

That's probably why some leading House Democrats — which, as the majority party, control the agenda — reportedly even wanted that lone KET camera removed as discussions progressed. It has been in the past.

But the camera should always remain, and others should be allowed.

Besides, do you really want politicians to become "comfortable" horse trading with your tax dollars? Do you really want reporters — who provide the only access some Kentuckians have for what's happening in their government — being forced to watch the proceedings in another room?

Our political leaders need to feel the presence of the press in the room. Part of full and complete pellucidity is observing the nuances of the whole event, including all actions, reactions and side conversations.

Can you imagine asking fans lucky enough to get tickets to attend college basketball's Final Four Event of the Ages: "What's the big deal? Why do you actually have to be in the room where the game is played? There's going to be TV cameras there. Why not just watch it at home?"

It's just not the same — whether you're talking about bouncing basketballs or paranoid politicians.



DOGHOUSES to be placed in downtown businesses as collection boxes for donations to the Hopkins County Humane Society were built by Brad Myers and painted by art students at Dawson Springs High School.

Stand Your Ground

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justifiable homicides jumped from 192 in 2005 to just 278 in 2010, the last full year for which statistics are available. Even if every one of those deaths was unavoidable and saved an innocent life — a preposterous supposition on its face — they constitute a small percentage of the 31,513 deaths from firearms in 2010, 11,015 of which were homicides.

The notion that widespread gun ownership makes America safer is a lie, spread deliberately by the NRA and "gun rights" extremists. Guns actually make America a far blood-

ier and more violent society than can be explained in any other way.

Centuries of legal tradition give people the right to use deadly force when genuinely threatened with death or severe injury. That protection would continue in the absence of "stand your ground" laws.

There is no benefit to "stand your ground" laws that allow the taking of a life when leaving the scene, screaming or calling for law-enforcement help would suffice. States, including Kentucky and Indiana, should purge or weaken these terrible statutes.

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SUDS Campaign Begins Monday

Center, 900 McCoy Ave. Saturday from 7 a.m. until capacity is reached.

Other types of waste disposal are also available in Madisonville for all county residents. Throughout the week, ammunition may be dropped off at Top Guns, 1300 S. Main St.

A pill and liquid medicine
take back will be held from
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at
the Trover Hospital Pharmacy.

Expired or leftover prescription medicine in solid or liquid form will be accepted.

Piranha Paper Shredding will be located in the Parkway Plaza Mall parking lot from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The first 100 pounds of paper will be shredded at no charge.

GreenWorks Recycling will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hard drives and discs will be shredded on site. E-scraps items accepted include computers, keyboards, printers, monitors, cables, stereos, TVs,

cell phones and fax machines.

For anyone who hasn't already begun to clean up after the winter — inside and outside — the SUDS campaign in conjunction with Hopkins County's Spring Clean-up Week is a good time to start.

"I would encourage people to take advantage of this opportunity to rid their homes, front porches, garages and yards of unwanted items and to properly dispose of them to help make all residents' lives more pleasing," said Mayor Jenny Sewell.

Two Madisonville Men Are Arrested For Copper Theft

Two Madisonville men were arrested Monday by the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department after large amounts of copper were discovered inside a garage on University Circle.

According to the sheriff's office, Alliance coal officials reported that large amounts of

copper were stolen from its property at a mining site. The officials had received information that two employees were involved in the theft.

The Madisonville Police Department and the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department investigated the residence of

Jonathan Phillips at 725 University Circle. Copper estimated at more than 20,000 pounds was found inside. Timothy Bryant was also charged for assisting Phillips in transporting the copper to his residence.

LyDon Logan was the reporting deputy.

Annual Motorcycle Safety Day To Include Free Safety Seminar

ness program.

This will be the fifth year the agency will host the event that includes safety exhibits, motorcycle vendors, a news conference and a police escorted ride through scenic Kentucky. This program is scheduled for June 22 at KSP Headquarters in Frankfort.

In addition to Safety Day, KSP will offer a free three-hour motorcycle safety seminar May 17, taught by a certified Motorcycle Safety Foundation RiderCoach.

"There's often an obstacle facing new riders," said Jude. "They'd like to buy their first bike or maybe upgrade to a newer, more powerful one, but worry about their ability to handle it safely. Rider education programs are the answer for both beginning and seasoned riders. We advocate attending refresher courses that help riders keep their edge by sharpening their skills."

Jude said a motorcyclist is much more vulnerable than a passenger vehicle occupant in the event of a crash. Research from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shows that motorcyclists are 34 times more likely to die in traffic crashes than passenger car occupants.

Jude offers tips for drivers to help keep motorcyclists safe on our roads.

—Remember, a motorcycle is a vehicle with all the rights and privileges of any other motor vehicle.

—Always allow a motorcyclist the full lane width — never try to share a lane.

- Perform a visual check for motorcycles by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or exiting a lane of traffic and at intersections.

—Always signal before changing lanes or merging with traffic.

—Don't be fooled by a flashing turn signal on a motorcycle — motorcycle signals are

often not self-canceling and riders sometimes forget to turn them off. Wait to be sure the motorcycle is going to turn before proceeding.

—Allow more following distance — three or four seconds — when behind a motorcycle so the motorcyclist has enough time to maneuver or stop in an emergency.

—Never tailgate. In dry conditions, motorcycles can stop more quickly than cars.

—Never drive while distracted.

The Kentucky Governor's Commission on Motorcycle Education and Safety has a Web site with resources for riders including locations and dates for rider education classes: <http://kentuckymotorcycle-educationandsafety.ky.gov/safety.ky.gov/>.

For more information about the KSP Motorcycle Safety Day program or the free motorcycle safety clinic, contact KSP at 502-782-1780 or www.kentuckystatepolice.org.

The Cause Is Important Enough

night in a homeless shelter. In Dawson Springs, he pitched a tent and slept outdoors as he has done during most of his journey. On several occasions he has been taken in by people in the towns he has visited, and he spends one night a week in a hotel. Every day is a new place, a new experience.

"I'm getting a good taste of what it's like to be homeless," he said.

Although Lyons admits that walking such a distance alone is dangerous, he can't let that stop him.

"Fear paralyzes people," he said. "You have to suck it up and go on. It's that important." Lyons is a retired mainte-

nance supervisor for a school district in Reno where his wife was a teacher. The couple planned to retire together, but things did not work out as they had hoped. Two years after losing their daughter to leukemia, his wife was killed by a drunk driver. After Lyons' retirement, he did various types of charity work before becoming involved with bringing awareness to homeless vets.

and Kentucky.

When he arrived in Dawson Springs, two thousand miles and five pairs of shoes were behind him, and he has just under two months to make the remaining 800 miles to his destination. He left here early Tuesday morning in the direction of Lexington. From Kentucky his route will take him through West Virginia and Maryland before he arrives in Washington, D.C.

During his two-day stay, Lyons will visit the Vietnam Memorial which he has never seen.

"I want to pay my respects to friends whose names are there. I want to say thank you," he said. "Some of them gave their lives for me."

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SOFTBALL COACH Kent Workman sends Halyn Burden home as she rounds third base Tuesday, April 3, during a game against Hopkins County Central. Central beat the Panthers 15-1. Below, Bradleigh Bruch makes a catch at third.

Softball Team Struggles With Hopkins County Central, North



The Panthers met two of their district rivals in softball last week and came out on the short end of both games.

Hopkins County Central visited the Panthers April 3 and clobbered the home team 15-1 in a game shortened to six innings by the 10-run rule.

The Storm scored five runs in the first inning on a walk, hit batsman and homerun, followed by two singles, an out and a two-RBI single.

The score remained 5-0 until the Panthers got on the score board in the bottom of the third.

Halyn Burden led off with a single and advanced to second on a one-out single by Jalyn Walls. After another out, Kristin Peek delivered a run-scoring single.

The Storm scored two more in the fourth and put the game out of reach with an eight-run sixth inning.

The Panthers only had the three hits in the third inning and committed one error. The Storm exploded for 16 hits and had no errors.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
Central	5	0	0	2	0	8	15	16	0
Panthers	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	1

The Panthers traveled to Madisonville April 5 where they dropped an 8-1 game to the North Hopkins Maroons.

North Hopkins struck first, scoring five runs in the bottom of the second on six hits.

The Panthers scored their lone run in the bottom of the third. Burden led off with a double and stole third. She scored when Jalyn Walls reached on an infield single. These were the only hits for the Panthers and they never really threatened to score in any other innings.

The Maroons scored three more in the fifth on two singles and two doubles.

Seventh-grader Courtney Copeland went the distance for the Panthers giving up 11 hits and walking two. Her defense behind her was good, committing only one error, which did lead to a run.

Head coach Kent Workman had no comment about either game.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Panthers	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
N. Hop.	0	5	0	0	3	0	x	8	11	1

Coach: Panthers' Opponents Getting Too Many Free Bases

When things aren't working out as hoped, sometimes a new approach is good to improve on the situation.

After the Panther baseball team dropped two games during a spring break road trip last week, head coach Adam Locke said he spoke with his team "about taking a new approach to some of the things that we do."

His hope is the team "will react positively to the new approach and respond on the field."

The "new approach" was necessitated after two road losses, 16-2 at Russellville April 2 and 11-1 at Hart County April 4. Both games were shortened to five innings because of the 10-run rule.

The losses dropped the Panthers' record to 1-7.

Against the Russellville Panthers (10-1) the local Panthers struck first, scoring two runs in the top of the first.

Matt Snell led things off reaching base on a walk. The next batter, Todd Bullock, also walked. After a fly out, the runners moved up a base on a ground out to second off of T.J. Puckett's bat. The runners advanced, with Snell scoring on a wild pitch. Bullock then scored on an error.

Russellville scored one in their half of the first to cut the lead to 2-1

but then erupted for three in the second, seven in the third and five in the fourth.

Snell pitched three full innings and to three batters in the fourth. He gave up 13 runs on eight hits, eight walks and hit four batters. The defense committed four errors behind him.

Bullock pitched one inning, gave up two hits, walked three and struck out one. He gave up three runs, one earned, as the defense committed their fifth error.

Russellville's pitcher no-hit the local Panthers while striking out eight and walking four. One of the two runs was earned.

The Panthers' offense managed four hits against Hart County and only gave up five, but unearned, runs. Walks and errors cost the Panthers in the 11-1 five-inning loss.

Hart County scored one in the first, nine in the third and one in the bottom of the fifth to put the Panthers away.

The Panthers' lone run came in the top of the fifth to extend the game by a half inning.

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
D. Springs	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	5
Russellville	1	3	7	5	x	16	10	1

Ben Puckett led the inning off for the Panthers with a walk. He moved to second on Gage Brewer's single. Both runners advanced on a ground out, setting the stage for Bullock to drive in a run.

Snell and Bullock were again the pitchers for the Panthers. Snell gave up 10 runs, five earned, on four hits, five walks and one hit batter in 2 2/3 innings. Bullock struck out three, walked one, gave up one hit and one run, none earned.

Bullock went two for three at the plate and Snell doubled.

"Our spring break trip and our season can be summed up to this point by two different numbers from our trip," Locke said. "We allowed 27 runs on 15 hits. We are simply allowing too many free bases to our opponents."

The Panthers played Madisonville-North Hopkins at Riverside Park Tuesday (the score was not known at press time). Two games are on tap at Riverside Park for Saturday against Russellville and Whitesville Trinity. The Panthers then travel to Lyon County April 16.

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
Panthers	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	5
Hart County	1	0	9	0	1	11	5	0



KRISTEN AUSTIN scoops up a hit to second base during the Panthers' game against Hopkins County Central Tuesday, April 3.

Strong Pitching Helps Union County Braves Beat Panthers 17-1

The Union County Braves visited the softball Panthers Monday afternoon and must have really enjoyed their stay.

The Braves walloped the Panthers 17-1 behind the pitching of Abby Hosman, who was nearly perfect on the mound.

Hosman struck out 12, didn't walk or hit anyone and gave up only two infield hits.

The Braves also played stellar defense with no errors and banded out 14 hits.

But the home team also wrapped up some presents and handed them to their opponent in the form of nine errors, which contributed to 10 of the Braves' 17 runs. Add to the errors six walks and the Braves must have felt like it was Christmas with all the gifts.

Courtney Copeland and Whitney Copeland had the only Panther hits. No Panther reached as far as second base against the 9-4 Braves.

The loss was the seventh of the year for the Panthers against two wins.

Union County scored two in the first, two in the second, five in the third and eight in the fifth to put the game completely out of reach.

Panther head coach Kent Workman had no comment on the game.

The Panthers played at home Tuesday against Crittenden County (the score was not known at press time). The Rockets entered the game winless in six tries.

The Panthers are scheduled to play at Muhlenberg County today (Thursday) and at home against 10-2 Livingston Central Friday.



India Robinson catches a fly ball in center field Tuesday, April 3, during the Panthers' game against Hopkins County Central. The Panthers lost 15-1.

The Second Region All "A" Classic begins Monday when the Panthers face Trigg County at the municipal park. The Panthers' schedule next week will be determined by action in the tournament.

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
Union Co.	2	2	5	0	8	17	14	0
Panthers	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	9



PANTHER BASEBALL players Ryan Jones (left) and Reed Dillingham pose for a picture with Axle the Bear, the mascot for the Bowling Green Hot Rods minor league team. The Panthers took a break from action during a spring break road trip to catch an exhibition game between the Hot Rods and the South Bend Silver Hawks.

Photo provided

Every Day Is Groundhog Day For Basketball

SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



BOB WATKINS

While we wait for Bobby Petrino's lips to move again, these things...

For hoops fans in Kentucky today is a Bill Murray "Groundhog Day"—and tomorrow, and day after that.

A national championship for Big Blue Nation; two state schools reached a Final Four, four locals made the Big Dance, and next season looks bright for all.

College basketball season 2011-12 in Kentucky was the grandest of grand statewide parties, bigger than the Barnstable twins Derby bash and bigger than a Richie Farmer ballyhoo for No. 32.

But, like all good things, hoops season in Kentucky comes to an end, right? Wrong.

Every day is Groundhog Day in the Bluegrass. Fans are ready for "what's next?"

• First, don't worry, shipments of University of Kentucky memorabilia — shirts, shorts, socks, booties, figurines, pennants, Colonel Sanders in blue, and cheerleader outfits for infants, and whatever else can bear a Big Blue label — are on the shelves with more to come.

Cha-ching!

This week, a note to the one-and-doners at UK, a quiet and appreciative thank you and "see ya!"

Turn the page, begin Part IV. High school signing days began this week and the NCAA mandated date for college underclassmen to withdraw their names from the NBA draft was Wednesday.

By last Monday 24 college underclassmen had declared for the NBA's June draft. None was named Anthony Davis, Michael-Kidd Gilchrist or Peyton Siva.

However the "Ugly List," another way of saying NBA Draft Tracker Top 100, lists Davis and Kidd-Gilchrist first and second with Terrence Jones tenth.

• Meanwhile, University of Kentucky's eighth national title made for punch lines and clever re-inventions.

✓ State's bird, the (red) cardinal, was cast in all blue with No. 23 on its chest feathers.

✓ For UPS and its Christian Laettner/the shot TV commercial, an enterprising photo-shop creator air-brushed Laettner's shot 20 years ago, being laettner by Anthony Davis.

Moving to next Groundhog Day, or season IV...

• April 10 is date when prime high school stars not already committed could pick a college. By evening of the same day, the buzz was clear. In

barbershops, beauty shops, local diners, gas stations, Sunday School classrooms, pubs and sports bars across the commonwealth, in-the-know local experts were holding court, projecting 2012-13.

• Amid the buzz is a windfall possibility for John Calipari. If 6-9, 240-pound UConn transfer Alex Oriakhi moves to Kentucky, Cal will have his very own Festus Ezeli brand next season.

• Next Groundhog Day(s) happen in Princeton, N. J., Indianapolis and Louisville. Buzz from AAU teams and phenom-producing all-star summer camps fill whatever void remains.

• Groundhog Day after that? Summer and fall pick-up game reports from Seaton Center at UK, Cardinal Gym at U of L as well as Murray and Western Kentucky.

• October — camp-outs in Lexington for Big Blue Madness.

Groundhog Day is every day.

UK's JOYLESS CELEBRATION?

Kentucky fans celebrating in Lexington streets last week forgot to read and/or New York Times writers Pete Thamel and Greg Bishop didn't see the uh, joyless celebration.

"The confetti inside the Louisiana Superdome ... also fell with a certain joylessness on a college sport many believe has been cynically compromised," Thamel and Bishop opined.

To affirm their case, the writers added, "John Calipari is doing what the system allows him to do," David Ridpath, an assistant professor of sport administration at Ohio Univer-

sity said. "I guess in that sense, congratulations."

Ridpath added: "Anyone who thinks that this has anything to do with the collegiate or educational model is flat-out wrong."

RICHIE FARMER

Media scrutiny devoted to ex-Kentucky Wildcat Richie Farmer by the state's major newspapers has reached a point of making the ex-Commissioner of Agriculture a martyr.

Newspaper revelations, if true, of Farmer's lavish spending while in state office and as candidate for lieutenant governor, while state budget belt tightenings were going on at the state house, your house and mine, is a stunner.

Yet, Farmer deserves a large A-plus for audacity. To believe he could replenish his department's transportation fleet, put a girlfriend on the payroll, roll taxpayer dollars into a pool of cash donated by companies doing business with Kentucky for conventions and parties, and nobody would take notice, is amazing.

A Richie Farmer re-invention of himself and a comeback to elected state office would be comparable to a Christian Laettner shot being blocked by No. 32.

WORTH REPEATING DEPARTMENT

From The New York Times: Mark Emmert, president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, had already expressed regret that the NBA's so-called one-and-done rule allows universities to recruit athletes who show little interest in getting an

education. That said, Emmert was not going to be forfeiting any of the tens of millions of dollars his organization made as a result of the tournament the Kentucky team was so spectacular in winning.

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

Q. Was University of Kentucky's 2011-12 team the best in school history? Yes.

A. 38-2 record and national title speak for themselves, but the best evidence is the answer to this question: Did media, analysts or fans use the term go-to-guy through the season? Basketball as team sport produced a NCAA title.

Q. What exactly is the one-and-done rule?

A. As part of its collective bargaining agreement with NBA owners in 2005, the players union insisted on age 19 for NBA entry, creating the expression "Gap Year." It translated into a weak and bad idea to not allow high schoolers jumping straight to the NBA.

Criticism leveled at Calipari as king of one-and-done has merit because Kentucky's coach is forthright that his system works for winning and has instant riches for teens, his employer, companies associated with UK through licensing and products, and has nothing to do with college education.

And so it goes.

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KENTUCKY AFIELD OUTDOORS

Wild Turkey Spring Season Opens April 14 In Kentucky

By Art Lander Jr.

Kentucky's spring wild turkey season has been so successful the past 15 years in part because of the timing of opening day.

"I think we've accomplished our goal of having a productive season in a relatively short time frame," said Steven Dobey, wild turkey program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "We've hit that window between the onset of breeding and nesting."

Kentucky's statewide spring turkey season opens every year on the Saturday closest to April 15 and lasts for 23 days. This year, the season dates are April 14 through May 6, 2012.

The turkey hatch peaks in late May or June, weeks after hunting has concluded.

"Our flock is stable, with a population estimate of about 250,000 birds," said Dobey. "Geographically, Kentucky is in a great location. We have relatively mild winters, a long growing season and a fairly dry early summer, all of which benefit turkeys."

The harvest of turkeys during the spring season has grown steadily in the past 15 years, from 13,606 in 1996 to 32,191 in 2011.

"Our stocking efforts have paid off and in the early years we had a conservative harvest strategy that's really paying dividends now," said Dobey. "Statewide, our turkey population is in excellent shape."

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife released 6,760 wild turkeys on 430 sites across the state from 1978 through 1997. Restoration was com-

pleted in 1997, when Kentucky's wild turkey population had increased to around 130,000 birds.

Hunters bagged more than 30,000 turkeys for two consecutive years for the first time starting in 2010, when there was a record harvest of 36,097 birds.

Dobey said he believes last year's spring harvest of 32,191 would have been

State's Top Student Archers Qualify For NASP Nationals

Mary Aldridge of Bondurant Middle School in Franklin County and Bradley Long of Caudill Middle School in Madison County were the top overall archers at Kentucky's National Archery in the Schools (NASP) state tournament for elementary, middle school and high school students held April 2-3 in Louisville.

Aldridge finished with a score of 298, hitting the bull's eye 28 times out of 30 shots. She was the top overall archer in the tournament.

"It makes me feel very accomplished," Aldridge, an eighth-grader, said. "I am planning on shooting a 300 at the world competition."

Long, the high overall male archer, shot 27 arrows in the 10-ring bull's eye, and three

arrows in the nine-ring, for a total of 297 points.

More than 2,900 students from 154 schools across Kentucky competed in the tournament. After practice rounds, each competitor shot 15 arrows from 10 meters and 15 arrows from 15 meters. Competitors shot additional rounds to break any ties.

The top finishers in the team and individual standings qualify for the 2012 NASP Nationals, to be held in Louisville May 11-12.

A complete list of all archers and their scores are posted at nasptournaments.org/VTR-results.

Winning from the area was Jericho Vannoy, Hopkins County Central High School, in the Individual Competition.

higher, possibly setting a new record, if the weather had cooperated. "About 58 percent of the harvest occurs during the two-day youth-only season and the first week of our statewide season," said Dobey.

Weather is the one factor that biologists can't control.

"We keep our fingers crossed every year. If it's sunny on opening weekend, we'll have a higher harvest," said Dobey. "Last season we had heavy rains across most of the state, and the opening weekend harvest dropped 27.1 percent from the previous year."

This season hunters are likely to encounter fewer juvenile gobblers while afield. The weather had an adverse impact on last year's reproduction. The statewide brood survey for 2011 showed a 42 percent decline in the number of hens observed with at least one poult (young turkey). Statewide, the average number

of poults per hen dropped to roughly one and a half.

"Western and central Kentucky appear to have had a little better reproductive success than the rest of the state," said Dobey. "The birds that nested the earliest were significantly impacted by the heavy rains and flooding."

Hunters could see fewer older gobblers, too, this coming season. The good news, however, is there will be lots of two-year-old birds which do most of the gobbling.

Kentucky's turkey flock is arguably the best in the region.

Based on the number of birds taken per square mile, Kentucky has a higher harvest than six of the seven adjoining states — Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, Missouri and Illinois.

"We're on par with Tennessee," said Dobey, "but our season is half as long as Tennessee's, and our bag limit is half theirs."

Dobey said Kentucky has about 90,000 turkey hunters.

Of the successful hunters, about 25 percent take the season limit of two birds in the spring. Most of the birds harvested are adults.

"Last season 16.7 percent of the birds taken were juveniles (jakes)," said Dobey. "With the impressive statewide flock in Kentucky hunters are able to be selective, and key on older birds."

Scramble Set For April 28

The Central City Country Club will host a 2-man scramble April 28 and 29 with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. or 1 p.m. Saturday.

The entry fee of \$150 includes one mulligan per player each day and a free practice round the week of April 23.

To enter, phone Jared Topmiller at 543-6515 or David Richey at 543-2724.



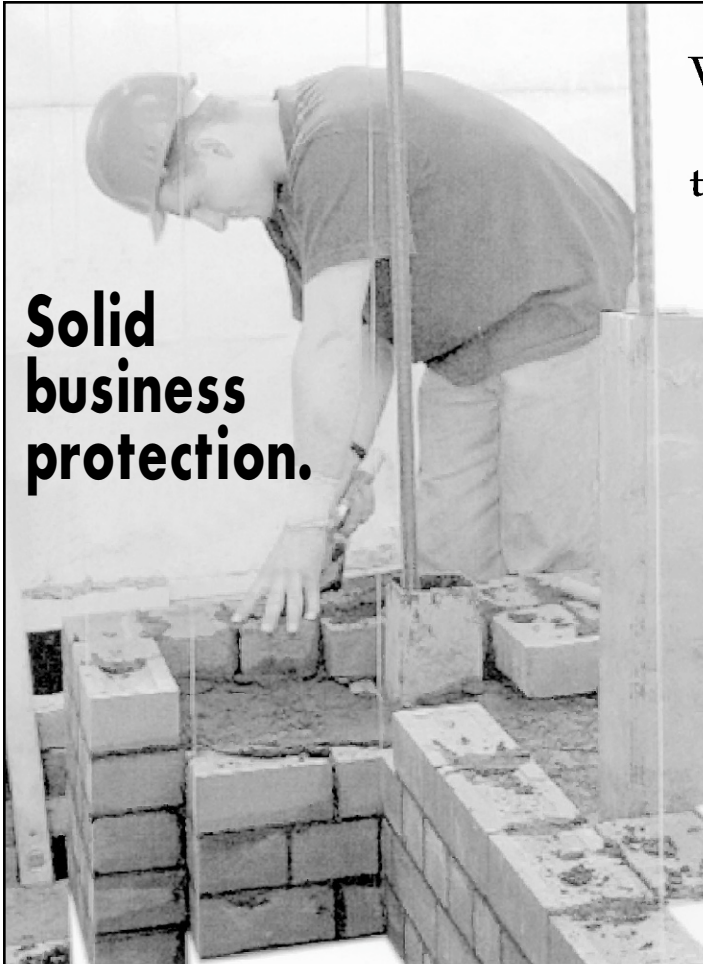
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Kentucky Ranks High Nationally In Fish And Wildlife Management

Working together is working well for Kentucky.

Today, Kentucky's sole source for 1 million trout stocked each year remains operational despite federal budget cutbacks. A 2,500-acre tract of land along the Ohio River opened to the public recently, thanks to partnerships between the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, other state and federal agencies and private organizations.

"Kentuckians know that working together as a team is a winning combination," said Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett. "Stronger partnerships and better relations between state and federal agencies can produce results."

Gassett is raising Kentucky's profile on the national level by serving this year as president of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. During the week of March 19, Dan Ashe, the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, accepted Gassett's invitation to visit Kentucky.

"(Gassett) had the idea that we should shadow one another, to hopefully better understand and appreciate what each of us, and our respective agencies, do day-in-and-day-out," Ashe wrote in his blog. "It was a wonderful experience."

Ashe's stops included the Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery near Jamestown. It was the first time a sitting director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had visited the facility.

"While we were touring, no fewer than five KDFWR (Kentucky Department of Fish

and Wildlife Resources) trucks were loading up trout for KDFWR's Fishing in Neighborhoods (FINs) program," Ashe blogged.

Gassett used the visit to continue his three-year campaign to keep the federal hatchery open in the face of federal cutbacks. Ashe noted in his blog that seeing the hatchery in operation made him feel good about efforts to find alternative funding for its continued operation.

Gassett said the visit enabled face-to-face conversations about issues critical to the department, including the spread of Asian carp, the need for funding through the State Wildlife Grants program, continued funding for land acquisition and the protection of endangered species. On-site visits helped emphasize these points.

"We took him from the far western end of the state to see nesting locations of endangered interior least terns to Eastern Kentucky to meet with representatives from the coal industry to discuss endangered species," said Gassett. "He also had the opportunity to view our elk and attend one of our strategic planning town hall meetings with the public."

During the four-day whirlwind tour, Ashe also viewed the site of a proposed wildlife refuge in the Green River area; flew over active and reclaimed coal mining sites; attended a Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting; and saw the newly-opened Big Rivers Wildlife Management Area and State Forest near Sturgis.

In the past two years, Gas-

sett's efforts at the national level have also helped Kentucky land \$8.3 million for the Big Rivers acquisition through the Forest Legacy Program of the U.S. Forest Service. The Kentucky project ranked fourth in the country in 2011, but rose to first nationally this year.

Helping people find public places to hunt, fish and enjoy the outdoors through land acquisition is a long-term goal of the commissioner.

"You have to have a global view of fish and wildlife management," Gassett explained. "You have to think big to do big things. You can't just be satisfied with the here and now - you have to think five, 10 years into the future and beyond."

With that goal in mind, Gassett works to help shape and influence national policy, whether it's meeting with U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, members of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, Director Ashe or members of Congress. At this level, Gassett aggressively pursues each year robust funding for fish and wildlife conservation in a variety of federal programs.

Gassett's recent efforts at the national level are an evolution of his past leadership positions in regional organizations and committee assignments on behalf of state fish and wildlife agencies. At each level, he has consistently realized the importance of states working together for a common goal.

"United We Stand is not just Kentucky's state motto," he said. "It's a philosophy for success."



BEING served at the branch library lasagna dinner Tuesday, April 3, are (from left) Dot-tie Hamby, Wanda Woodruff and Betty Reynolds. Servers are Wanda Hughes (left) and Lettie Ann McKnight.

LBL Public Meetings Scheduled To Discuss Budget Reductions

Land Between The Lakes (LBL) National Recreation Area will host a series of public meetings to gather ideas and thoughts on how to address recent maintenance budget reductions for facilities, campgrounds, and roads.

To make it convenient for members of the area, public meetings will take place in gateway communities.

- Saturday, April 14, noon-2 p.m. at Historic Cherokee at Kenlake State Resort Park, 974 Cherokee Lane, Aurora.
- Thursday, April 26, 5-7 p.m. at Stewart County Visitor Center, 117 Visitor Center Lane, Dover, Tenn.
- Tuesday, May 1, 5-7 p.m. at Grand Rivers Senior/Community Center, 155 W Cumberland Avenue, Grand Rivers.

"We want to plan ahead for budget reductions using ideas from our communities," said

LBL Communications Services Manager, Jan Bush. "Before we make any decisions, we want to hear from as many people as possible about how we can continue to provide quality outdoor recreation and environmental education opportunities with fewer maintenance dollars."

All public input received will be compiled and posted on www.lbl.org/TravelFlash.html. This information will help Forest Service staff make future decisions about LBL services.

These meetings will give the public an opportunity to identify and discuss a wide range of mission-appropriate alternatives and options, such

as specific services to reduce, fees to increase, and most of all, identify new ways to offset these budget reductions.

The public input process will be conducted in 3 phases:

- Conduct public meetings in Stewart County, Tenn., and in Livingston, Marshall and Trigg counties. Background materials of existing services, fees, and expenses will be provided and posted on www.lbl.org/TravelFlash.html.
- Post public input from each session within days on www.lbl.org/TravelFlash.html.
- Conduct online survey May 9-21, on summary of public input and comments.

2012 Golf Tour Book Helps American Lung Association

The American Lung Association's 2012 Golf Tour Book is the golfer's key to savings at golf facilities throughout the region. The popular discount golfing booklet offers more reduced rounds and range discounts than ever before, bringing a welcomed affordability and new enjoyment to the hobby. This year's Golf Tour Book is good for more than 5,000 discounted rounds at more than 500 golf courses, practice ranges and indoor facilities in Kentucky, Indiana, Tennessee and three other states.

Listed in the package are courses in and around Hopkins County, including Lakeshore Country Club in Madisonville, Madisonville Golf and Country Club, Madisonville City Park and Pennyriple Forest State Park.

Each participating course offers a reduced rate for one or more plays. Some courses allow golfers to play one round a month, and 132 clubs offer unlimited rounds. Golf Tour Books may be purchased for only \$35 each or four for \$105 — a buy 3, get 1 free "fabulous

foursome special."

According to Carolyn Embry, who coordinates the program, Golf Tour Books are perfect for golfers who want to play more often but need to curb spending. Revenue from the program helps fund medical research, lung health education, support groups for people with chronic lung ailments, and advocacy for public policy in support of the charity's mission to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease.

"Remember to pick up extra Golf Tour Books for family members and friends or for any special gift-giving occasions," said Embry.

Golf Tour Books may be ordered by calling the American Lung Association at 1-877-893-5864 or by sending a check to American Lung Association, P.O. Box 9067, Louisville, KY 40209. They are also available at branches of AAA in Louisville, Elizabethtown, Owensboro, Bowling Green and Paducah or at the Benton Golf and Country Club in Western Kentucky. Books may be purchased online at www.kylung.org.



LOU NELL HENSLEY looks over the dessert selections at the lasagna luncheon at the Dawson Springs Branch Library Tuesday, April 3.



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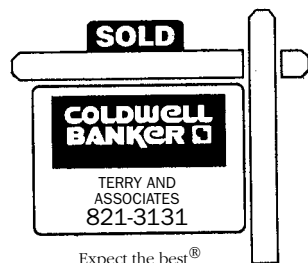
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GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A personal disappointment should be viewed as a valuable learning experience. Go over what went wrong and see where a change in tactics might have led to a more positive outcome.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't leave projects unfinished or personal obligations unresolved, or you might find yourself tripping over all those loose ends later on. A relative has important news.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Expect a challenge to the usual way you do things. Although you might prefer the tried-and-true, once you take a good look at this new idea, you might feel more receptive to it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Much work has yet to be done to polish a still-rough idea into something with significant potential. Expect to encounter some initial rejection, but stay with it nonetheless.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There still might be some communication problems in the workplace, but they should

be resolved soon. Meanwhile, that "tip" from a friend should be checked out.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A new relationship appears to need more from you than you might be willing to give right now. Best advice: Resist making promises you might not be able to keep.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That restless feeling encourages you to gallop off into a new venture. But remember to keep hold of the reins so you can switch paths when necessary.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A demanding work schedule keeps the high-spirited Goat from kicking up his or her heels. But playtime beckons by the week's end. Have fun. You earned it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're beginning to come out from under those heavy responsibilities you took on. Use this freed-up time to enjoy some much-deserved fun with people close to you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Before you get swept away by a tidal wave of conflicting priorities, take time to come up for air, and reassess the situation. You might be surprised by what you'll find.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your leadership qualities are enhanced by a practical sense of purpose that keeps you focused on your goals.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

by Steve Becker

Famous Hand

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♦4 3 2
♥3 2
♦9 8 7 6 5
♠4 3 2

WEST

♦AK Q 10 8 6
♥10 8 6 4
♦—
♠10 8 6

EAST

♦—
♥AK Q
♦AK Q J 10 3 2
♠AK Q

SOUTH

♦J 9 7 5
♥J 9 7 5
♦4
♠J 9 7 5

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♦	Pass	4♠	Pass
7♦			

Opening lead -- ten of spades.

This is a favorite story of George B. Coffin, for many years a well-known author and publisher. The bidding went as shown, but after East bid seven diamonds, West quickly passed, not waiting for South to bid. Not only that, but East-West then improperly exchanged hands, a common practice in some games.

South, a stickler for the rules named John Lawman, who by nature was inclined to exact his pound of flesh when an irregularity occurred, now said: "Just a second, please. I haven't passed. In fact, I'll bid seven notrump!" West doubled, and, after two

passes, South redoubled! West then led the king of spades.

"Just a second," said South again. "Both of your hands are exposed because you've seen each other's cards, and I'm entitled to call your plays in any way I see fit."

So Mr. Lawman directed West to lead the ten of spades instead. He took the ten with the jack, continued with the nine, calling for West's eight, then cashed the seven of spades, calling for West's six.

As the spades were being led, declarer forced East to discard the A-K-Q of clubs! Mr. Lawman then cashed the J-9-7 of clubs, compelling West to play the 10-8-6 in that order, and East to discard the A-K-Q of hearts.

The same process was then repeated in hearts, declarer cashing the J-9-7 of that suit. On the hearts, East, who at this point was nearing a state of apoplexy, was forced to discard the A-K-Q of diamonds.

Mr. Lawman next cashed his heart and club fives, collecting East's J-10 of diamonds. Dummy's 9-8 of diamonds then scored the last two tricks to make the redoubled grand slam!

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ANSWERS TO THIS WEEK'S PUZZLES

RIVER TALK

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

5	4	2	9	7	8	1	3	6
8	3	1	6	2	4	9	7	5
9	6	7	5	1	3	4	8	2
2	1	4	8	9	5	3	6	7
7	8	5	1	3	6	2	9	4
6	9	3	2	4	7	8	5	1
1	5	8	4	6	9	7	2	3
4	7	9	3	5	2	6	1	8
3	2	6	7	8	1	5	4	9

SWAB ROTH ALAS VIGOR
HARE ECRU OVERT INANE
HILARITEA VIRTUOSITEA
TOTEMMCLEANBOOT
LASSO ARNEL PRIEST
ANGEL CRASS RAM ASTO
MONSTROSITEA ROYALTEA
ADA OAF DEED ROOD END
SURMISED LAY WIG
HAHN PET BANBLOOPER
ADEPT LEGALITEA SURGE
DESIREDAPT ARE DOOM
NET ASH FOURLEAF
OAR VAMP IBAR EON IWO
GRAVITEA DOMESTICITEA
LIVE ARC LIMIT ONSET
EDISON TRAIN SEEDS
TREE ADVERT PETIT
SOLIDARITEA HEREDITA
ADAGE STEER ERIE LSAT
WEBER TERR ASPS LAKE

Pennyrile Homemakers To Meet At Pennyrile Park

The Pennyrile Homemakers will meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow (Friday) at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park. Doris Franklin will serve as hostess.

The lesson, to be given by Charlotte Cooley and Joyce Garrett, will be on home clean-

ing products.

All members are encouraged to bring a favorite cleaning product and to wear purple in observance of "Purple Up! for Military Kids."

For information, phone Sharon Budd at 797-3305.

Freshman Orientation Set For April 30 At DSHS

Freshman Orientation will be held at 6 p.m. April 30 in the high school multipurpose room. This is for all current eighth graders who will start high school in the fall.

The attendance of a parent or guardian is required. Information will be provided regarding graduation require-

ments, the School Counts program, the policy regarding math placement, KEES money, how the GPA is configured, registration questions and advanced placement courses.

For additional information, phone Lori Wooton, guidance counselor at 797-29



AMONG those attending the Charleston School reunion Saturday, March 31, are (from left) Coleen Armstrong, Doug Monroe and Ruby Poe.

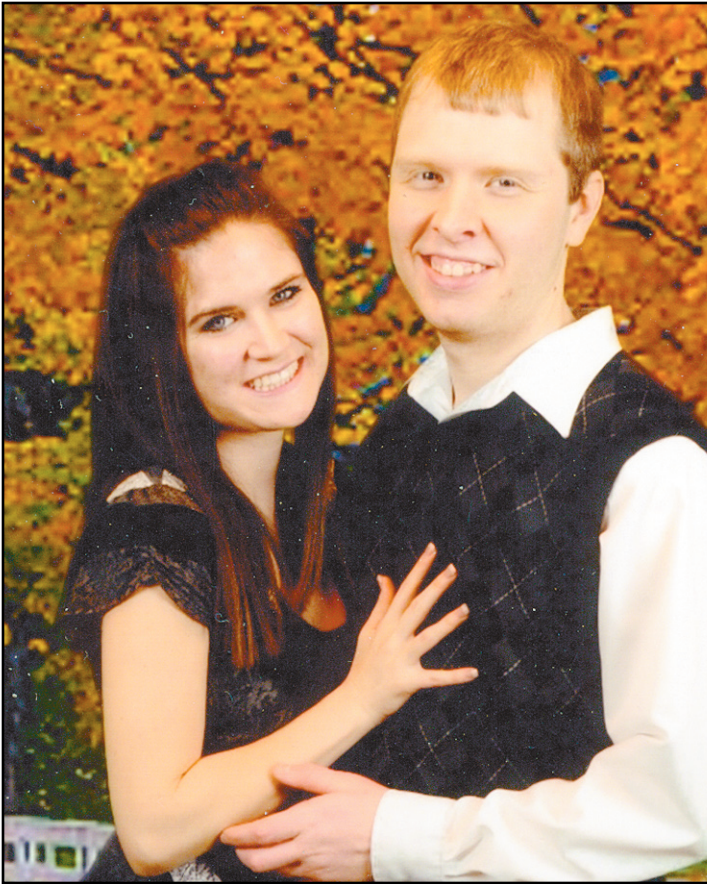
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Adsmore Is Now Featuring Selina's Engagement Trip

Adsmore House and Gardens in Princeton invites the public to step back to 1907 and visit the Smith-Garrett family as they learn about Selina's engagement to Gov. John Osborne. The exhibit will be featured through May 19.

Selina has just returned from an extended Grand Tour of Europe, the Near East and Africa, taking 70 days and covering more than 14,900 miles. Little did she know as

she boarded the ship, Arabic, in New York that she was to meet the man she would marry. Although a determined bachelor of 53, Osborne was greatly smitten by the beautiful Selina when they met during their travels. Romance blossomed, and by the end of the tour, they had an "understanding." Victorian-era costumed guides will share the story of Selina's engagement through photographs, postcards and souvenirs from her trip.



KRISTEN NELSON AND JONATHAN HOWTON
Will be married April 21

Kristen Nelson To Wed Jonathan M. Howton

Kristen Lynn Nelson and Jonathan Michael Howton, both of Dawson Springs, will be united in marriage April 21 at Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Stacey Nelson and the granddaughter of Bill and Pau-

line Nelson.

The prospective groom is the son of Michael and Brenda Howton and the grandson of the late Azella Howton and Myrtle Davis and the late James Davis.

All friends and relatives are welcome to attend.

Friday Night Live To Begin In Downtown Madisonville

The city of Madisonville, in partnership with Trover Health System and the Hopkins County Tourist and Convention Commission, has announced that the 12th anniversary of the free downtown concert series and street festival, Friday Night Live, kicks off June 8 in downtown Madisonville. Other event dates are July 6 and Aug. 10 with activities beginning at 6 p.m.

The 2012 edition of Friday Night Live will include activities from previous years, such as the Hopkins County UK Alumni 5K road race and 1 1/2 mile fun walk in June, the Motorcycle Cruise-in and Show sponsored by the Hopkins County Central

Archery Club in July, and the Classic Car Show organized by the Show-N-Go Car Club in August. Also, all three Friday Night Live events will feature inflatables for the kids, vendor booths, and a beer garden sponsored by the Madisonville Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce.

This year's entertainment will include the return of the "Edge Band" in June and the "Beat Daddys" in August. For the July event, Old National Bank and Hudson Automotive have teamed up to sponsor a group new to Madisonville, "The Conch Republic," featuring high energy beach music.

Dawson Springs Museum Requests Tag Sale Items

The Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center is in need of items for the yearly tag sale.

Anyone with household items, furniture or nick-nacks that are no longer wanted are

asked to donate them for the sale. Items should be dropped off at the museum Tuesday through Friday between 1 and 4 p.m. Contributors are asked to price their own items. No clothing will be accepted.

Hat Decorating Workshop Scheduled At Local Library

A hat decorating workshop will be held April 17 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Katherine Barnett meeting room at the branch library. Sallie Grimes and Jo Travis will be the presenters.

Ideas for decorating a hat

using flowers, boas, material, tulle and more will be presented. Participants should bring a hat and any decorations they would like to use.

For information, phone 797-8990.

Arnie Brunson Benefit Scheduled For June 9

A 70-mile benefit ride for Arnie Brunson will be held June 9 at the American Legion. The ride will begin at 2 p.m. Entry fees are \$20 per bike

or \$30 per couple. Door prizes will be given and food will be available.

For information phone James Smith at 625-5211.



POSING after the "big game" are three Wildcat fans and one Cardinal fan at the Fifth Third Bank. The girls, who agreed before the game that they would wear winning team shirts the next day, are (from left) Nancy Shelton, Korie Alfred, Christy Sisk (good sport that she is) and Amie Thomas.

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Madisonville's MS Walk Scheduled For April 28

Walk MS Madisonville, a fund-raiser for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will take place April 28 at the Madisonville City Park.

The event begins at 9 a.m. with team photos. The hospitality tent will also open at 9 for late registration, to turn in money and for those who have raised the minimum of \$125 to pick up event tee shirts.

Program, advocacy and services information, a nurse's station, volunteer check-in will be available at the chapter tent, and vendor booths will be open. Opening ceremonies and the walk begin at 10 a.m.

The walk is sponsored statewide by Kindred Healthcare. Donations can be made online at walkkyw.nationalmssociety.org.

Wound Care Program Is Underway At Jennie Stuart

National Healing Corp. of Jacksonville, Fla., is helping Jennie Stuart Medical Center launch a comprehensive wound care program. NHC, the world's largest provider of hospital-based outpatient managed wound care centers, treated more than 1 million wounds in 2011.

Steve Topping is the program director of the center and joins JSMC from Tullahoma, Tenn., where he held a similar position for NHC at Harton Regional Medical Center for

the past two years.

The new Wound Healing Center is under construction on the ground floor of Jennie Stuart Medical Center at the Outpatient Procedures entrance on High Street. The center will specialize in treatment of chronic wounds and nonresponsive conditions, offering hospital-based outpatient wound care and hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Cost to build and equip the unit is about \$400,000. It is scheduled to open in June.

Gov. Appoints Joseph Miller

Joseph R. Miller of Madisonville was appointed by Gov. Steve Beshear to the Kentucky Board of Architects to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term ending July 1, 2013. He represents citizens

at large.

Miller is vice president of strategic planning and marketing at Trover Health System. His appointment replaces Bernard Anthony Goetz, who has resigned.



THESE young ladies, ages 3 to 5, were guests at a "Fancy Nancy" tea Saturday, March 31, at the Dawson Springs Branch Library where they donned their finery and ate in style.

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